

House Resolution No. 4069

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Gladys Barclay Meek of Joplin, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth Birthday with a special celebration on October 11, 2008, at the Masonic Temple; and

Whereas, on October 10, 1908, in rural Jasper County, God brought a special gift to George Washington and Martha Legg Barclay with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Gladys, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Gladys Meek will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as her marriage to Antony "Ted" Meek and the births of their offspring; and

Whereas, Gladys Meek has been blessed with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include two children, Frances Earlene Ivy and Dr. Roy Meek; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Gladys Meek has compiled an impressive list of achievement that includes graduating from Carl Junction High School in 1927, attending Pittsburg State Teachers' College (now known as Pittsburg State University), and being a fifty-six-year member of South Joplin Christian Church and the TNT Sunday School class, a seventy-two-year member and past District Deputy President of the Missouri Rebekah Assembly, and a fifty-six-year member and Chapter Mother of Ruth Chapter 177 of the Order of the Eastern Star; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 100, Gladys Meek is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Gladys Meek at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri centenarian Gladys Barclay Meek, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Ronald F. Richard
District No. 129

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4069, adopted September 9, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker